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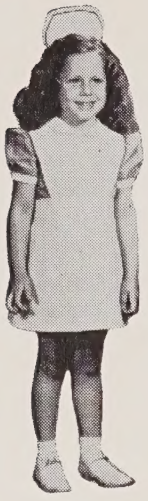

Mascot Mary Ann Berry

The American Beauty Rose

CLASS SONG

(To tune of "You'll Never Walk Alone")

When you set your life's goal
Keep your hopes up high
And don't be afraid to uphold
All the things that are good—
All the things that are right
And you'll find perfect peace
In your soul.
Walk on through the years,
Walk on thoughout life
Though the way seem long and
Hard
Walk on, walk on, God's angels
In white
And you'll wear a crown of
Light
You'll wear a crown of light.

Class Colors: Blue and White

Motto: "If you have knowledge let others light their candle at it."

Mascot Gene Davidson

FOREWORD

We have set the sails of our souls for a voyage on the sea of knowledge and service to mankind, and have brought back a cargo of self satisfaction and a wealth of understanding of our fellowman. There is no room now for ill feelings or misgivings . . . no time to look back. The destination, the long sought invisible goal has been spied and we are ready to toss over the anchor . . . buoyed by ambition and a keen curiosity!

But when the crew has scattered and the ambition begins to flicker and fail, may this volume serve as the "Ships' Log" . . . a source of mental refreshment and delectation.

May we realize that we are truly "the captains of our souls and the masters of our fate," and that we have a part, however small, in His plan of giving for the joy of giving.

THE EDITOR

DEDICATION

Dr. James Wilson

For they who labor for mankind are the chosen people of God.

For his untiring patience, understanding . . . with a willingness to help . . . his kindly attitude toward student nurses and all others with whom he comes in contact, we the class of 1951 are proud to dedicate this, our annual, to Dr. James Wilson.

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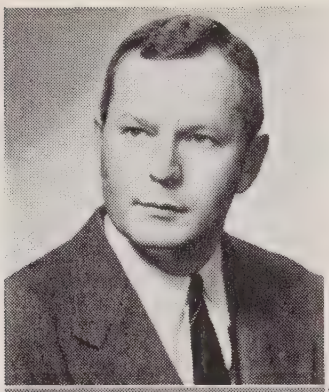

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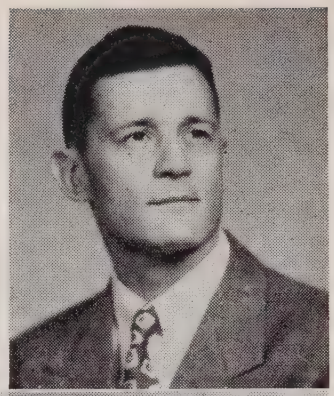

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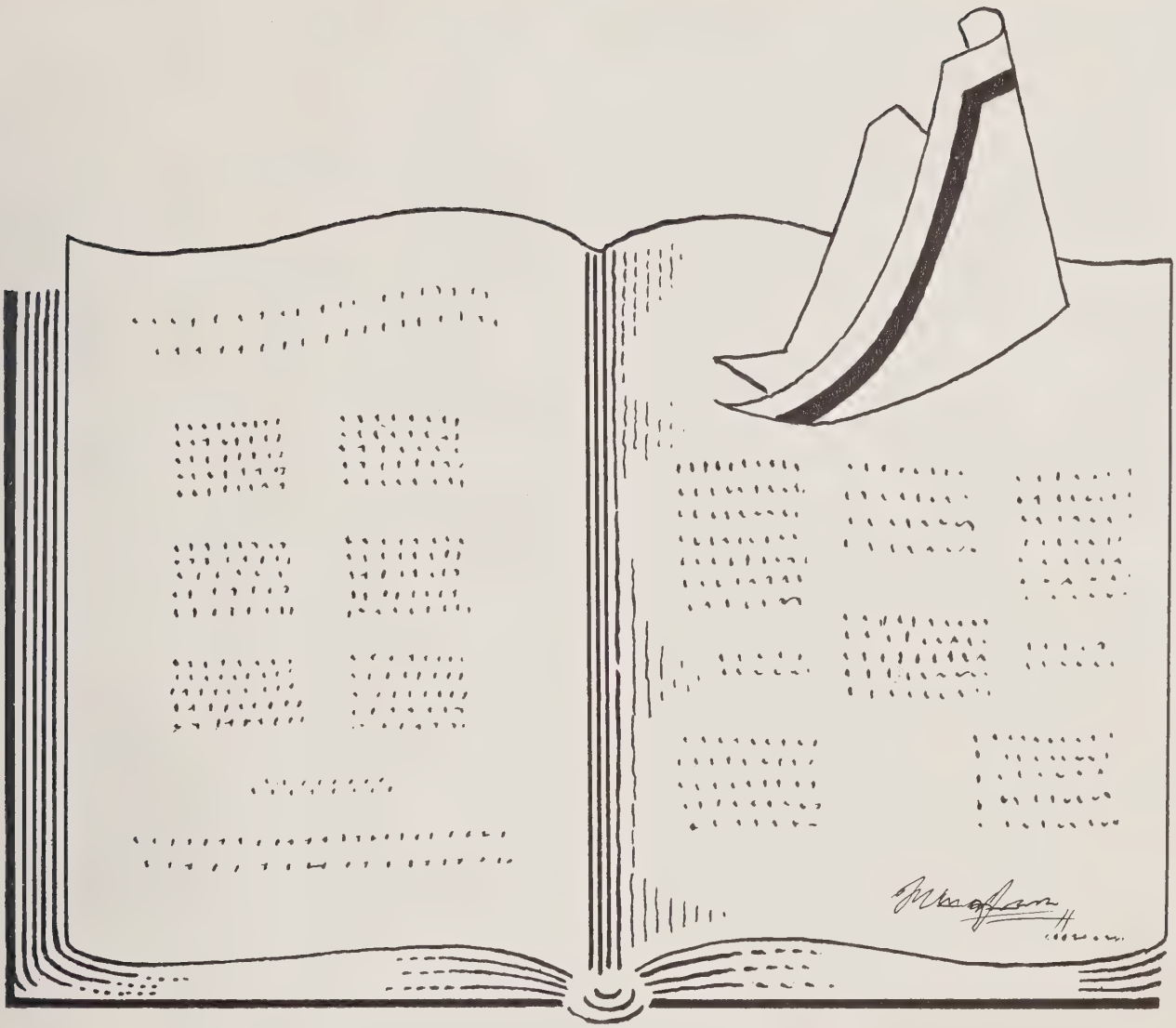

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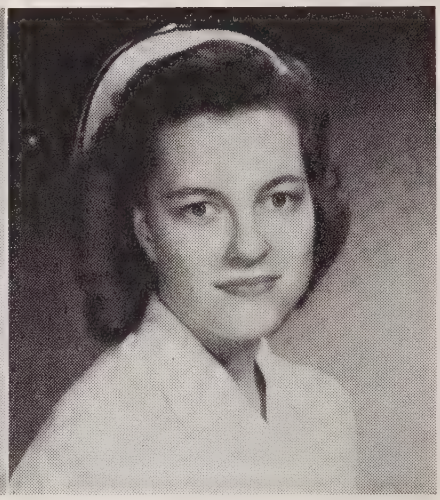

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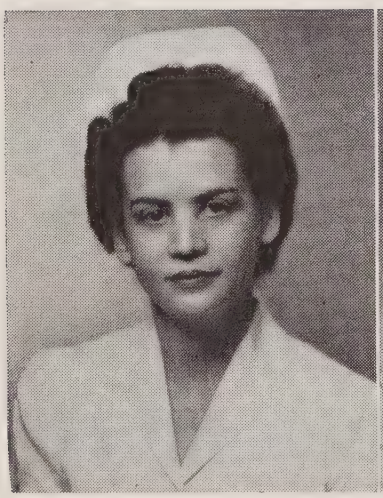

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. . ."Our hearts were young and gay". . .

The Capping

Alice Hansche Mortenson

He wore a crown of thorns that I
Might wear a crown of light,
And so in deep humility
I'll wear this cap of white.

I'll walk in quiet confidence,
Befitting one who knows
The path He trod once long ago,
The way a Christian goes.

And as I minister to those
Who need His healing touch,
I'll serve them in the name of Him,
Who gave for me—so much.

And somehow may His light shine forth
Through me from day to day,
That those entrusted to my care
Will find the living Way.

For Him who wore a crown of thorns
I'll wear this cap of white,
That when He calls I'll worthy be
To wear a crown of light.

. . . "With loyalty will I endeavor to aid the physician" . . .

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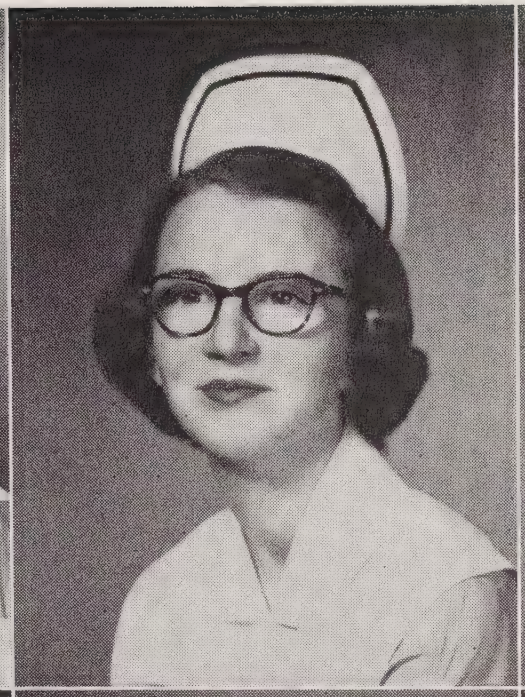

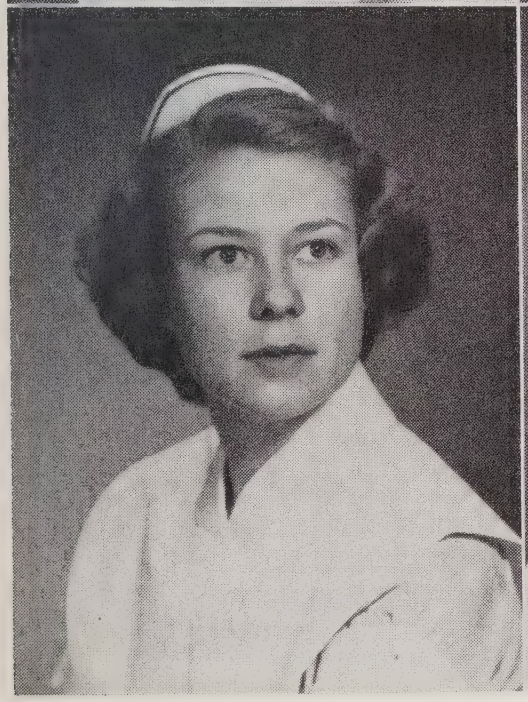

SARAH ALLEN
"The gift of making friends"
Roxboro, N. C.

BETSY JO BARNES
"Jo"
"Not too sober and not too gay,
But a real good fellow in every way."
Smithfield, N. C.

JUNE BELL
"Have faith in dreams for in them is hidden the gate to eternity"
Richmond, Va.

HAZEL BRYAN
"Blondie"
"Truth is such a precious article we must all economize in its use."
Burlington, N. C.

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"Dot"
"A good disposition is more valuable than gold."
Sanford, N. C.

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"Laughter is good, wholesome humor is better, but to be even-tempered is best."
Washington, N. C.

GLADYS COPELAND
"Glad"
"Give to the world the best you have, and the best will come back to you."
Burlington, N. C.

NELL RAYE DAVIS
"A sweet attractive kind of grace."
Kinston, N. C.

JANET DEAN
"And it puts my pen to shame, Sir, when her virtues I would name, Sir."
Wendell, N. C.

MARY ELIZABETH EVANS
"Nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm."
Roxboro, N. C.

JEAN FOWLER
"Not to admire is all the art I know, To make men happy and keep them so."
Bahama, N. C.

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"Lou"
"She symbolizes all our ideals, Love, qualities and leadership."
Raleigh, N. C.

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"Frankie"
"To friendship every burden's light"
Danville, Va.

MARY RACHEL HALL
"In quietness and confidence shall be your goodness."
Siler City, N. C.

ANNE HENDERSON
"I have a heart with room for every joy."
Durham, N. C.

JEAN HIGHT
"Music is well said to be the speech of angels."
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"An angel, or if not, an earthly paragon."
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"Jake"
"It is a friendly heart that has plenty of friends."
Laurinburg, N. C.

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"Her very frowns are fairer far,
Than smiles of other maidens are."

Greensboro, N. C.

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"Dot"

"Be noble in every thought and every deed."

Greenville, N. C.

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"Chris"

"Love is a beautiful thing."

Clayton, N. C.

MITZIE LILES

"Mitz"

"Such ways, such acts, such looks hast thou."

Durham, N. C.

DOLORES LORD

"Lores"

"The world has nothing to bestow,
From our own selves our bliss must flow."

Henderson, N. C.

BETTY LOWRANCE

"There was such speed in her body, and such lightness in her foot-fall."

Charlotte, N. C.

WINIFRED MASON
"Winnie"
"And beautiful as sweet! And young as beautiful! And soft as young. And gay as soft! And innocent as gay!!"
Oxford, N. C.

NANCY MCKINNON
"Mac"
"One who to herself is true,
And therefore must be so to you."
Durham, N. C.

PATRICIA PALMER
"Pat"
"Oh the world hath not a sweeter creature!"
Charlotte, N. C.

MARTHA PIERCE
"Nothing is so difficult that it may not be found out by seeking."
Hallsboro, N. C.

ROSEBUD POOLE
"Rosie"
"A peace above the earthly dignities,
A still and quiet conscience."
Durham, N. C.

RUTH RIDENHOUR
"Sincerity and truth are the basis of every virtue."
Durham, N. C.

ELSIE ROOKER
"Rook"
"Happy, loving, carefree, gay."
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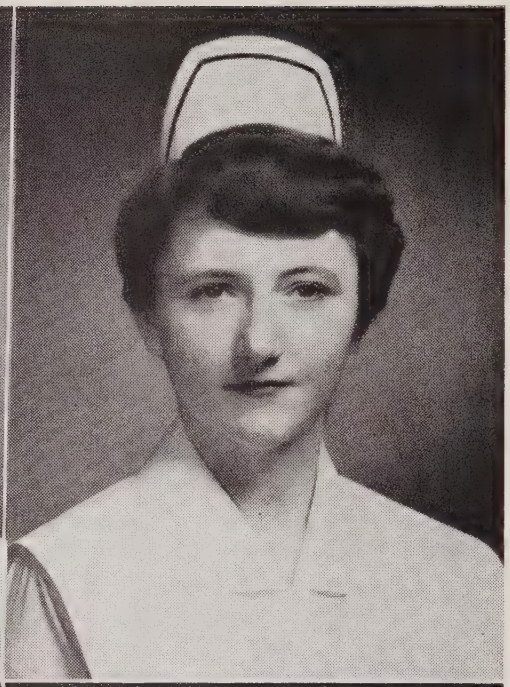

DOLORES RUMLEY
"Dickie"
"We are wiser than we know."
Durham, N. C.

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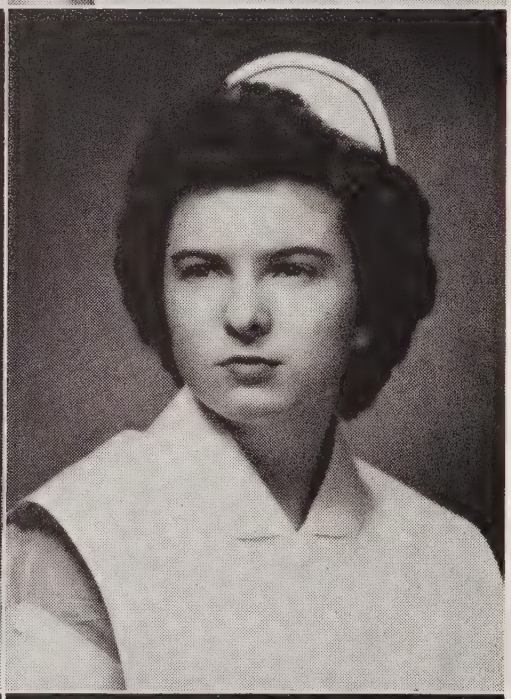
"B"
"She is pretty to walk with,
And witty to talk with,
And pleasant, too, to think on."
Sarasota, Fla.



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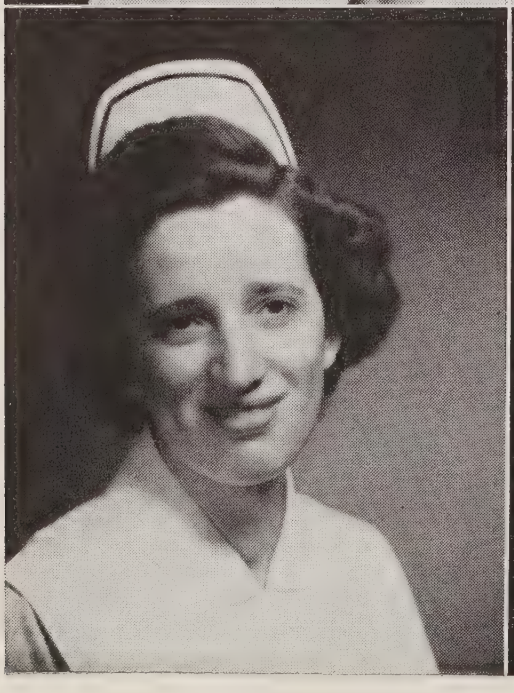
"Del"
"A good mind possesses a Kingdom."
Kinston, N. C.



PEARL SMITH
"Pearline"
"Common sense is not a common thing."
Chapel Hill, N. C.

LAVERNE TEW
"Verne"
"Divinely tall, divinely fair
A true daughter of the gods."
Goldsboro, N. C.

SARAH WILDER

"Happy, wonderful and wise person,
With a smile for everyone."

Zebulon, N. C.

ARLIENE WILSON

"A good heart is worth gold."

Norfolk, Va.

CARLIENE WILSON

"A laugh is worth a hundred groans in any market."

Norfolk, Va.

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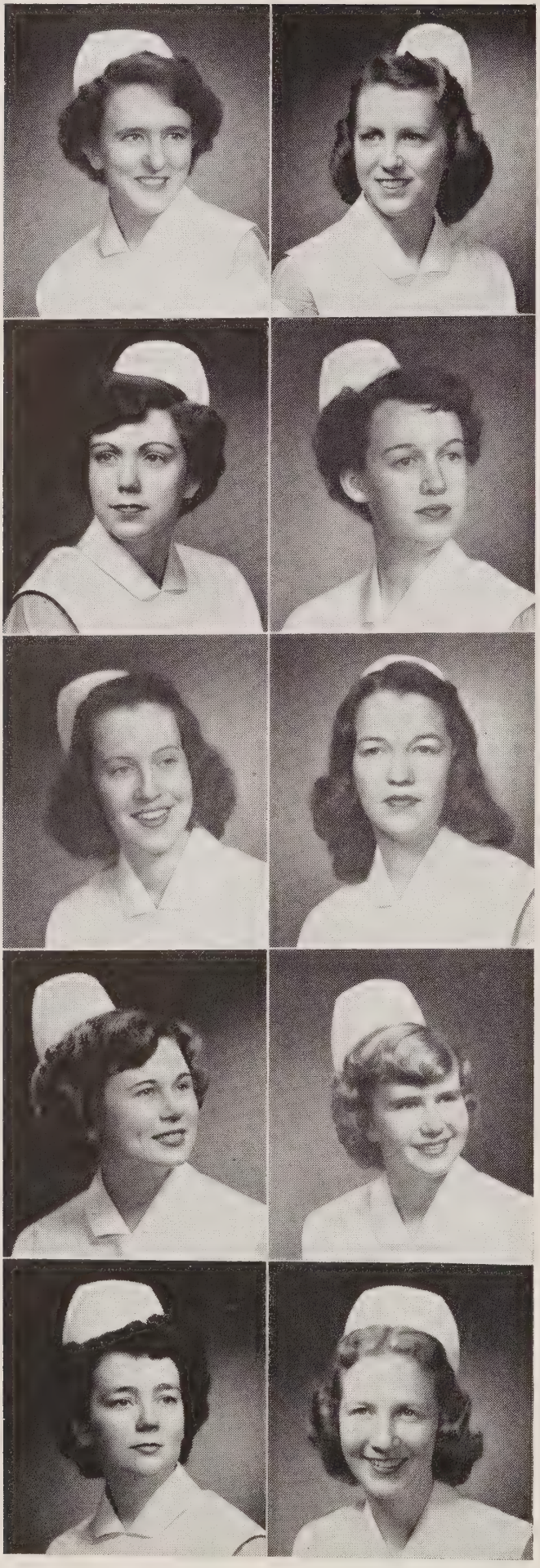

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Junior Snaps

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Not pictured: Peggy Piper, Burlington, N. C.

Freshmen Snaps

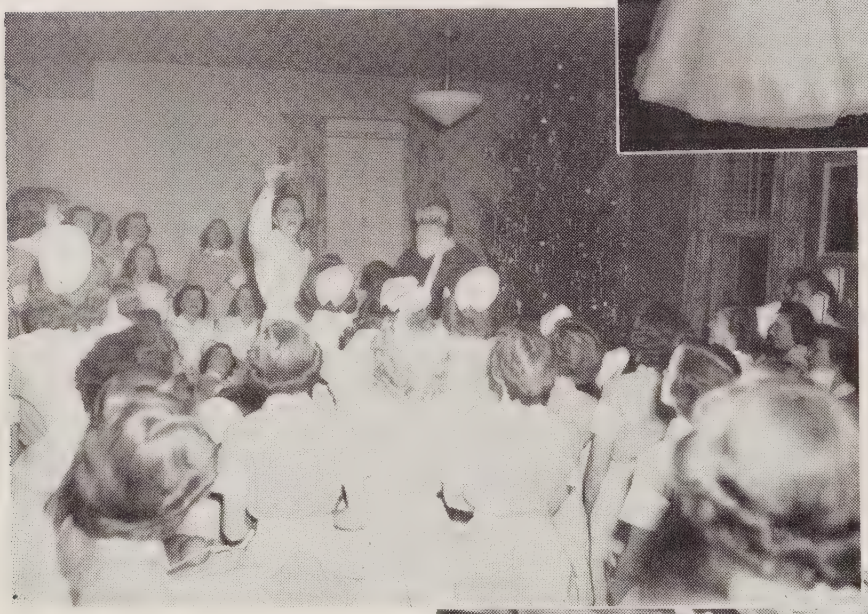
The Nightingale Pledge

I solemnly pledge myself before God and in the presence of this assembly: To pass my life in purity and to practice my profession faithfully. I will abstain from whatever is deleterious and mischievous, and will not take or knowingly administer any harmful drug. I will do all in my power to maintain and elevate the standards of my profession and hold in confidence all personal matters committed to my keeping and all family affairs coming to my knowledge in the practice of my profession. With loyalty will I endeavor to aid the physician in his work, and devote myself to the welfare of those committed to my care.

Social Life

LA VERNE TEW
Miss White Cap of 1951

VALENTINE DANCE



XMAS PARTY

XMAS DANCE

ACTIVITIES

GLEE CLUB

Among those having served on the Social Committee

ANNIE

"The lady who sees all, tells nothing, and has brought luck to us all."

Annie reluctantly leaves the hands of Betty Lowrance and Pat Palmer to abide with Betty Adams and Betty Humphrey in solemn dignity 'till 1952, when tradition will pass 'er on again.

Annie first found her place in the hearts and lives of Watts students in 1943, and was last handed down by Faye Covington and Lea Graves.

The Surgeon

(Author unknown)

I wonder if I'll ever see
A surgeon sans a gripe
A gripe whose basis long has passed
Into the dim dark distant past.

Their voices rant and rave and rasp
Against the nurse who lost the clamp
The clamp they never once before
Would want, nor will they ever more.

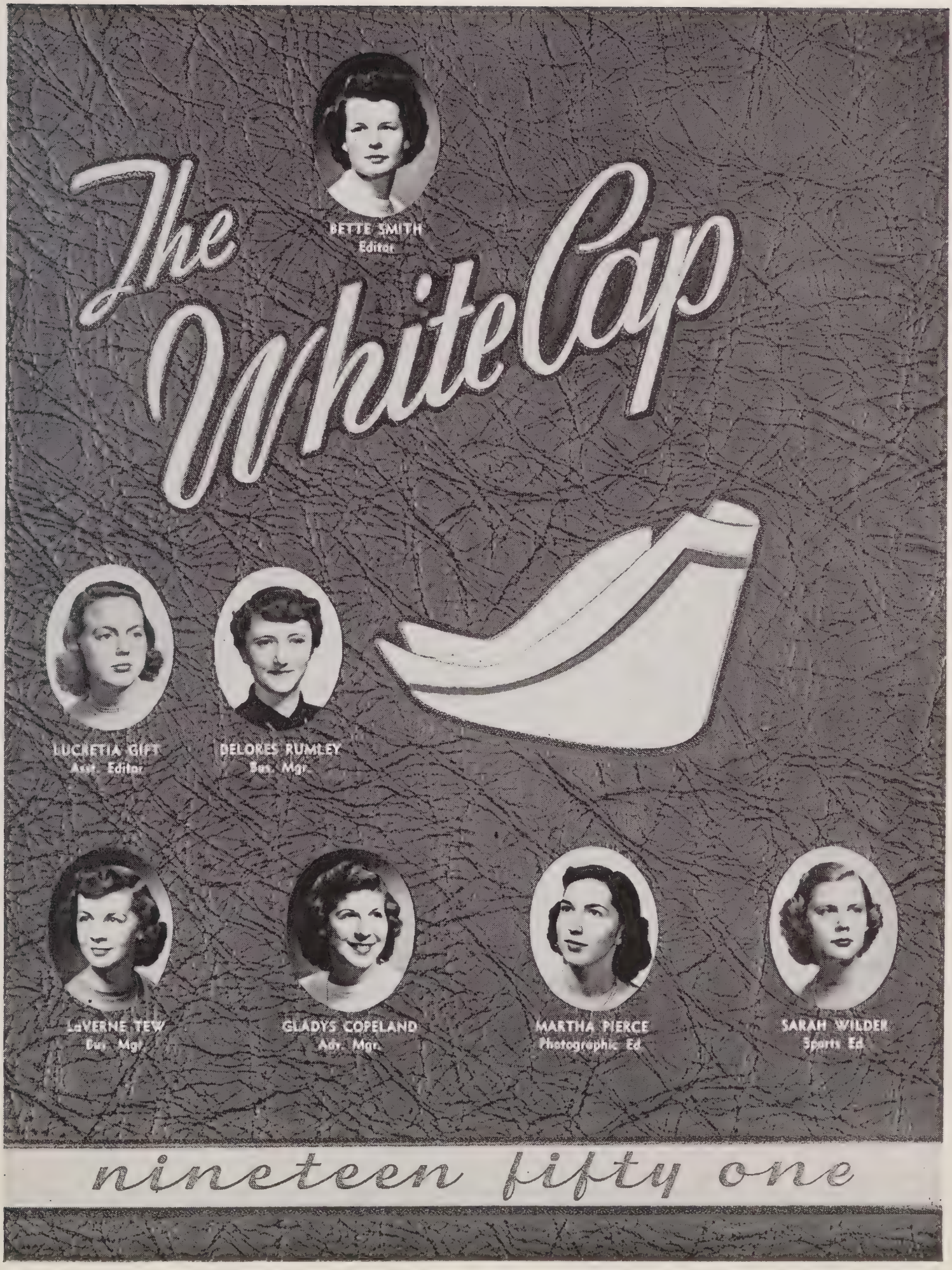
The Kelly's bent, the water's cold
Who lost my . . . plastic mold?
The sutures short . . . no, now it's long
Their voices boom just like a gong.

From the masked mouth there comes the curse
"Anesthesia couldn't be worse"
And just to help him in so proving
He shows the diaphragm . . . still moving.

They push, they pull and they putz
Great pain they're causing in our . . . necks.
Confirmed are they, sans ifs ands or buts
To work in this joint they must be nuts.

They sweat and strain and howl with pain
And cuss the general lack of brain
In everybody but themselves
Their most exalted sacred selves.

Someday I think I just might see
A surgeon sans a gripe
Completely sane he could not be
So out of his misery let's put he.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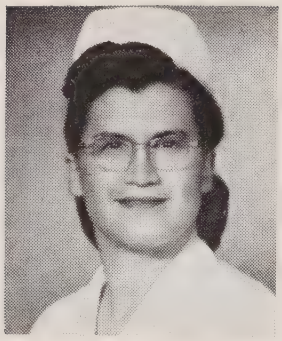


Mrs. Mary Clayton
Coach

Left to right:

Wilder, '50 Co-Captain, Congratulates Fowler, '51 Co-Captain

Drummond, '50 Co-Captain, Congratulates Smith, '51 Co-Captain

The Docs Versus The Nurses

The highlight of the basketball season was the annual game between the student nurses and the internes. Girls' rules were observed the first half of the exhibition and boys' rules the latter half. After a bit of "give and take" from both teams, the internes won by a narrow margin of 28-25. Upon "public demand" a repeat performance was given with the Docs again proving to be the better team.

INTERNES' LINE-UP

"Lulabell" Lucas
"Gertrude" Padgett
"Georgia" Johnston
"Hilda" Harris
"Lassie" Mabe
"Rover" Nichols
"Uncle Ed" Kingsbury
Coach: Trogler Adkins, M.D.

NURSES' LINE-UP

Jean Fowler
Della Smith
Hope Gurkin
Nell Davis
Sarah Wilder
Vera Burris

Coach: Mary Clayton, R.N.

S.N. t' R.N.

By Grace Jacobs and Bette Smith

(Tune to Persian Cat)

A High School graduate said "down with college"
So she went up to Watts to get some knowledge.
She passed her exams, that is true
And now she's wearing the white and blue.

The first six months she hit the books,
Forgot her culture, forgot her looks.
Hit the sack at the gong of the bell
Arose next morning for a life of . . . work.

Six months later she got her cap
Said "now let the prelems take the rap"
I've spent these months in misery
And now 'till ten at night I'm free!

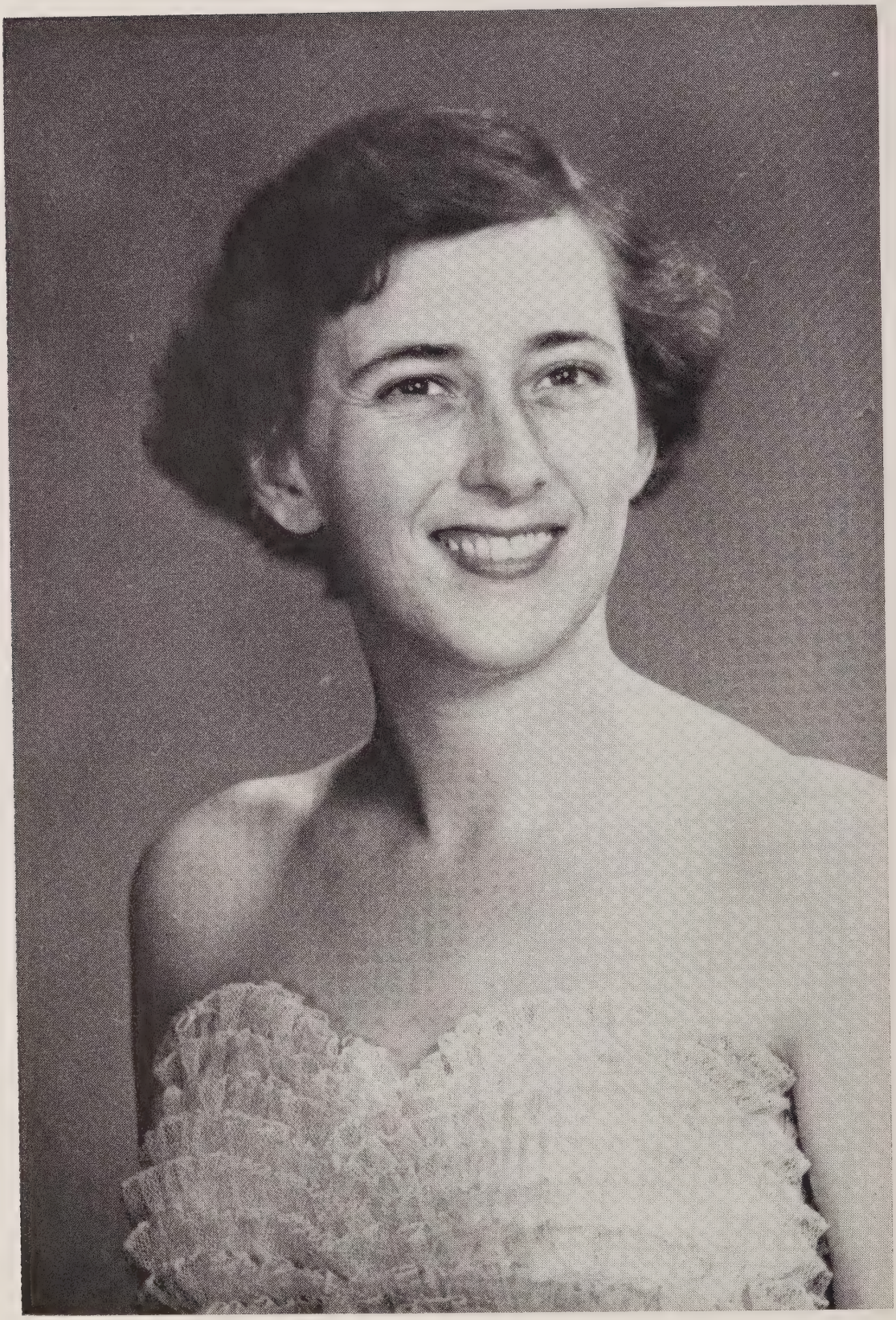
"Congrats!" said the Seniors with a smile
Now you can do the work for awhile.
You don't have to stay spic and span
All you gotta do is . . . tote that pan!

Tales of woe they did unfurl
As they told those girls of the nursin' world
Suggesting with a sneering laugh
That they give the whole left side a bath

Many months later they got a black band
Said now touch me Junior if you think you can
For I'm a Senior which proves to you
One more year and I'll be through!

Now that day has come at last
All those struggling years have passed
The days weren't wasted as we can see
But it's so wonderful to be free!
Graduates! Graduates! Graduates are we!

Senior Superlatives



GRACE JACOBS

Most Popular

MARY RUTH HINTON

Most Professional

LOU GIFT

Best All Round

BETTE SMITH

Wittiest

GLADYS COPELAND

Most Intellectual

MARTHA PIERCE

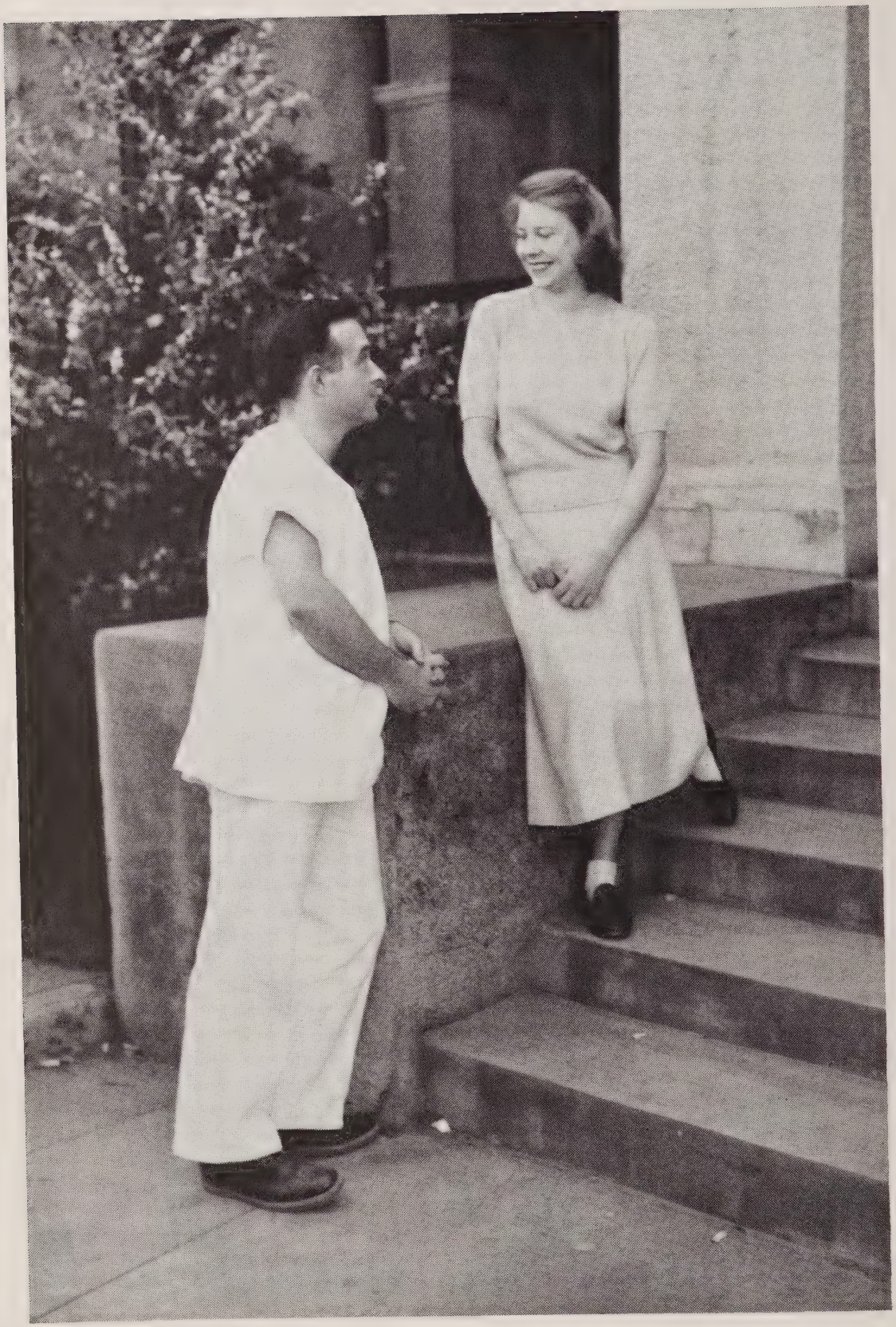
Most Likely to Succeed

ELSIE ROOKER

Cutest

PAT PALMER

Most Attractive



HAZEL BRYAN

Biggest Flirt

RACHEL HALL

Most Dignified

SARAH WILDER

Most Athletic

Last Will and Testament

We, the class of 1951, in the city of Durham, the county of Durham, and the state of North Carolina, being in as good a mental condition as usual, and in much better temperament now that the end is so near, do hereby make this our Last Will and Testament, rendering void and of no avail any former Will or Wills that may have been previously made by us during a period of temporary optimism.

Although being as psychologically complexed as befits a senior class, we consist of 39 separate and distinct entities and are in complete accord: Feeling that our unusual achievements will long live after us, we in this manner dispose of our possessions:

ARTICLE I

To our educational instructors and all others concerned with the educational department we leave our sincere appreciation for the patience, devoted interest, and time spent with us to teach the arts of nursing and how to be a success in our chosen profession.

Mrs. Burgess, we wish to thank you for your complete understanding and guidance, your tireless efforts to make us understand that we must stick to the fight when we are hardest hit! And that it's when things seen worse that we must not quit.

To the Staff Doctors and Internes; we offer our appreciation for your tolerance of our many mistakes and for the instruction you have given us in an attempt to improve us as nurses. To the Staff Nurses and Supervisors, we thank you for all the help and advice you have given us to make us as capable and efficient as possible.

To the House Mothers, we leave our "10 point rooms," our full cooperation in turning out lights by 10:30 p.m. and the memory of our melodious voices—never again to resound thru the halls of Ye Ole' Hill and Wyche Houses.

ARTICLE II

To the Adams Class No. 1, we bequeath freely and without reservations our good luck and our senior privileges with all the responsibliities of being the Senior Class.

To the Adams Class No. 2, we leave our sound judgement and patience, as it will enable you to endure the hardships of climbing—hoping that you too will reach the top.

To the incoming Preclinicals, we leave a map of the Hospital, so as to eliminate the usual confusion of stray prelems wandering about the halls in everyone's way in their search for the various departments and winding up in the D.R. to post a B.M.R.

Certain individual bequeaths are:

I, Grace Jacobs, do hereby will my love for Wake Forest to Mattie Williams, and my ability to get along with roommates to Rebecca Bolick.

I, Christine Lamm, will not part with my love for one man but would like to leave my ability to hold him to Rebecca Perry.

I, Pearl Smith, refuse to part with my guitar, but will give to anyone interested lessons from my new book . . . for a price.

I, Gladys Copeland, leave my philosophy of life to Edna Crew.

I, Bette Smith, do generously dispense with my unexcelled wit to Doris Crews—my "sleeping cap" to Eunice Fisher in hopes she cherishes it as much as she has ridiculed it!

I, LaVerne Tew, do reluctantly, but of necessity, leave to Joyce Westmoreland, my eyelash curlers.

I, Sarah Allen, leave the high set standards of THE ALLEN CLASS and my love for Ward H to the Adams Class Number II.

I, Nell Davis, leave my telephone extension to Dot Byrum to facilitate easy communication with the switchboard for her many male admirers.

I, Jean Fowler, am contemplating becoming a strawberry blond, so I am leaving my dirty blonde locks to Dottie Buchanan, also my ability to handle the opposite sex to anyone capable of the job.

I, Delores Lord, leave my charm and sophistication, to be distributed equally among the girls in the Junior Class, and my winning personality to anyone who may benefit by it.

I, Della Smith, leave my petite figure to Betty Adams.

I, Sarah Wilder, leave my athletic ability to Vera Burris.

We, Arliene and Carliene Wilson, leave our love for Virginia to Glenna Stowers.

I, Frances Groves, leave my cellmate P.J's to Lee Pennington.

I, Jean Hight, do leave.....with Albert!

I, Anna Jordan, will my love for surgery to MiMi Becher, with one provision . . . that she leave Dr. Schiebel alone!

I, Betty Lowrance, leave my room and my love for the Wyche House to Polly Costner, and I leave because Mrs. Bobbitt left.

I, Jo Barnes, do hereby leave my red hair to Val Vinson with the hope that she wears a hairnet as often as I.

I, Dot Campbell, do hereby leave my undying love for urology to Hope Gurkin and I hope that she is more successful than I.

I, Hazel Bryan, nonchalantly leave to Peggy Sykes my carefree and irresponsible formula for living.

I, Ruth Hinton, leave to Barbara Stockard my love for the Operating Room.

I, Shirley Cherry, reluctantly leave to Carolyn Jordan my forbidden furniture.

I, June Bell, do cautiously leave my sincere appreciation for classical music, operas, and fine arts to anyone capable of supporting it and worthy of receiving it.

I, Rachel Hall, do benevolently leave my love for going home to anyone lucky enough to get weekends off.

I, Mitzie Liles, will not part with my South American rhythm, but I do leave my fan dancing to Joyce Cline.

I, Janet Dean, do will my ability to wear my cap straight to Joyce Oakley,

I, Anne Henderson, leave my bears, dogs, and cats to "Oophie" Darden to keep her company as they have me.

I, Mary Evans, willingly will my love for Dix Hill and my ability to handle psychiatric patients to Marie Smith.

I, Nancy McKinnon, refuse to part with my jitterbugging ability but I do offer free dancing instructions to anyone interested.

I, Dorothy Lahr, do leave my quiet ways to Freida Simmons.

I, Winnie Mason, do leave my blonde beauty to anyone in need of same.

I, Pat Palmer, do leave my sweet disposition to Judith Woody.

I, Martha Pierce, do leave my knack for impromptu speeches to Rebecca Roberts.

I, Rosebud Poole, do will to the entire student body my ability to fold caps.

I, Ruth Ridenhour, do will my ability to "bum 'em by the bushel" and my love for O.P. cigs to Doris Fisher.

I, Elsie Rooker, do leave my love for motor scooters and Duke University to Winifred Cousins.

I, Dolores Rumley, will my ability to be a leader to Jan Thomas.

I, Lou Gift, do bequeath my originality to Janie Powell.

Article III

We, the Senior Class of The Watts Hospital School of Nursing do hereby appoint and instruct Dr. Bob Lewis as sole Executor for our Last Will and Testament to carry out the same; his decision as to any matter being final.

Sarah Allen
Testator

Class History

1948-1951

Watts Hospital

Dear "White Cap,"

I must have fallen asleep as I took pen and ink in hand for I dreamed of SENIORS and GRADUATION. Am I still asleep? NO! I am awake to reality. We are Seniors and we are graduating! Three years are so dreadfully short! It seems only yesterday that on August thirty-first, 51 bewildered and frightened girls set forth to climb the ladder of their chosen profession. The place being WATTS HOSPITAL and the year 1948.

PRECLINICAL DAYS.....September, 1948 —February 27, 1949. Long will these days live in our memory. The many books! classes! labs! and the many good times we had. The times that some fearless girls would dare to turn the classroom clock up thirty minutes so we could get out of class early. The last minute cramming for an exam. Oh yes! "WHITE CAP," we well remember the good times with the bad times. Our first party in dear ole' Wyche House basement . . . a Halloween party, with costumes and all. Then there were the times when you could walk down the halls and not be able to distinguish the smells of the chemistry lab from those of the nutrition lab. Not that we are poor cooks, but just good chemists. And much to everyone's amazement Mary Chase and Oscar once again survived the rough treatment of trial and error learning. Bless them! When the day came that we donned our uniforms, a blue dress with white cuffs, collar and aprons, we really felt like a part of our school.

Our first days on the wards are days to look back on and realize how far we have come. Scared and frightened we performed our duties under the close supervision of our instructors. Many of us remember Mrs. Eva Woosley Warren as our dearest friend and "favorite wailing wall". . . . How she use to listen to our troubles . . . and laugh! Remember the first time you were told to give a "shot" of crysticillin? How many times did you begin and begin again . . . wondering and doubting if you were capable of the task? How much would it hurt the patient? . . . All these thoughts rushed through our trained minds. But now we don't think of such minor things!

FEBRUARY 27, 1949 is a date that we will always remember. It was at three o'clock in the afternoon on Sunday that we received our white caps and bibs in a candlelight ceremony with our parents, relatives, and friends watching. Do you remember that feeling you had when Mrs. Burgess pinned your cap on your head? . . . The thing for which you had been working and planning for for the past six months, but would have to work even harder now in order to retain? And the reception that followed in the Hill House living room. We were so thrilled! We were Freshmen and embarking on our first twelve o'clock late leave! No longer to be called prelems. The next few months found us performing the duties of a nurse. And then vacation time rolled around and it was really welcomed. We had three short blissful weeks! Twenty-one days in which to crowd the many things we wanted to do.

It was soon September again and we were JUNIORS. And the beginning of special training. One of the first special departments being the operating room. Do you remember how scared we were after hearing the weird tales of those who had gone before? Never will we forget the long nights "on call" and the "stats" after "stats." . . . How many nights did you spend helping bring bundles of joy into this world while in the D.R.? And then on to the nursery. One month in the Diet Kitchen was sandwiched in somewhere between services . . . we began to think of diabetics in terms of grams. . . . And so passed our Junior year. But there were many student planned social functions. . . . The Senior Dance, Christmas Dance, and Frank Wright was really good! And of course the Valentine Dance. . . . All events to remember!

Once again vacation time . . . and . . . and then September and the donning of black bands. . . . For now we were SENIORS.

Yes, "LITTLE WHITE CAP" we are SENIORS and soon will be graduating and bidding "farewell" to the Mater of all Alma Maters, THE WATTS HOSPITAL SCHOOL OF NURSING. We are now on the last phase of our schooling, enjoying the senior privileges, with later leaves and considerably less 6-11 duty. There was pediatrics . . . three wonderful months of nursing children! And last but not least we were ready for our psychiatric affiliation at Raleigh. Remember the insoluble lump in your throat and the fear of the unknown that was waiting for you just 25 short miles away? Not knowing what the next day had in store for you and fearing the worst after the yarns spun by the "vets of three months." There is no doubt in our minds . . . Dix Hill was a profitable experience. . . specially for those who returned sporting diamonds or leading a State College boy by the nose.

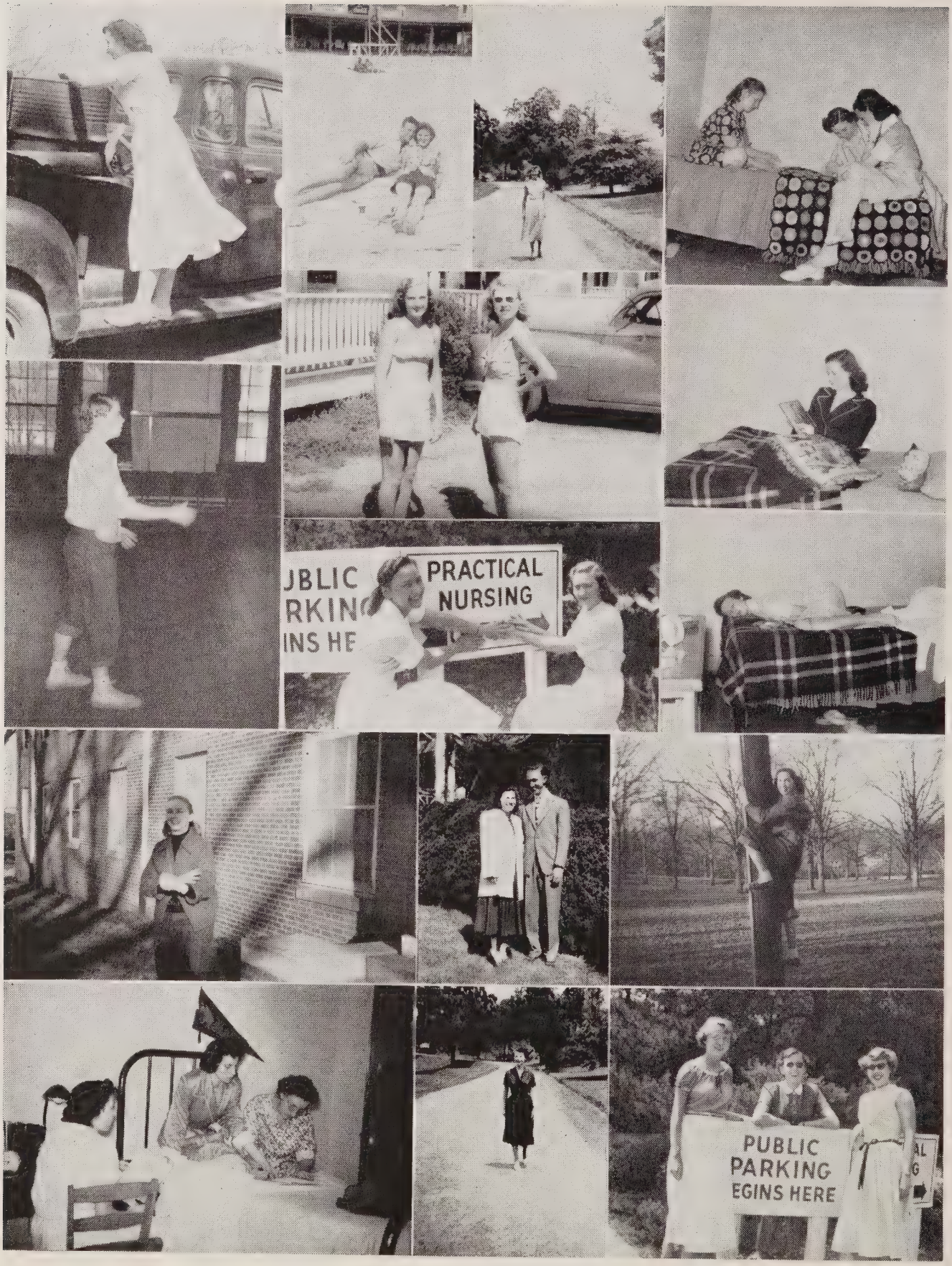
Somewhere along the line our classmates began dropping out for various reasons. . . . Remember the first one to go? Ruth Riley? Remember the party in Wyche House basement? Since Ruth there has been Fran Kelly, Alice Creech (Lunsford), LaVerne Crabtree (Terry), Christine Cartwright (Carver), Betty Jean Nicholson (Isley), Mary Wiggins (Thompson), LaRue Burns, Nancy Winn (Reed), Marian Pantagis (Sunas), Ovelia Page (Matthews), Mary Lou Coltrain (Hales). Ah yes! But we are still thirty-nine strong. Thirty-nine wonderful girls . . . "THE ALLEN CLASS."

As we stand on the eve of graduation, our future is bright with the promise of glorious lives. With moldy textbooks packed away and a shining new State Board Book before us, we realize the authenticity of "When we reach the mountain tops. . . . THEN we shall begin to climb," and may each of us give years of loyal service to the greatest of all professions, the nursing profession.

Goodbye "WHITE CAP"

Dorothy Campbell
Historian

Senior Snaps



Class Prophecy

My! But it's a hot summer day, like one I remember so well years ago, and I'm almost as excited as I was then. It's strange how time flies by so fast and so many things happen. Here I am looking for Bob's tux so we can celebrate the same thing we celebrated ten years ago. August 30, 1951, what a memorable day . . . Graduation! What is this? Why, it's the "1951 WHITE CAP" . . . the annual that turned my classmates' hair white trying to publish. I can hardly wait to see "that old gang of mine" again.

The dust is so thick it's in layers and the covers literally squeak. At last the blue and white is beginning to show. How proud we were of this book and how happy to dedicate it to Dr. Jim Wilson, who was indeed worthy of its dedication and all the "thanks" we could summon for his kindness and understanding of us who were students of a noble education. Class song, motto, colors, all bring separate memories.

Here is Sarah Allen's picture. I hear that she is now running a nursery of her own and has her hands full with six boys and six girls, she and the spouse must think they are "Cheaper By The Dozen." And Betsy Jo Barnes, she surprised us all by meeting and marrying her husband and dropping out of our class all within the last four months of training. Who was it that wrote me June Bell is now doing private duty on another wealthy bachelor who is also a lover of classical music? This must be all of her dreams rolled into one. Hazel Bryan, the last time I heard from her, had changed jobs for the fifth time and is now helping her brother-in-law in his ever expanding veterinarian clinic. She has become convinced that the dog is really man's best friend. My old friend Dorothy Campbell! At last her ambition is fulfilled . She is in her own home town (Sanford) helping to "yank the tonsils" of some of her best friends. . . . Shirley Cherry, cruising the seven seas and seeing the world from a port hole. . . . "She's in the Navy Now!"

Glad Copeland! Haven't seen or heard from her in years. . . . I wonder if she will be as full of excitement and love for Don Rhodes as she used to be . . . can't remember who 'twas wrote me she celebrated her seventh wedding anniversary six years after graduation. . . . And doesn't Nell Davis look young. . . . Mrs. Curtis Crutchfield now, bandaging knees and painting scratches of her own basketball team. Quiet, lovable Janet Dean, I heard she was still hanging drippers for T.U.R.'s on Dr. C's patients. . . . Oh well, better drippers than diapers. . . . Jean wrote me that Mary Elizabeth Evans is busy these days running to all the local fires with Russell. I'll never forget when she cut all her hair off. . . . How did any of us survive that fad! And "Jake" wrote me just last week that Jean Fowler has given up nursing as a career to become the first lady bar tender at the Saddle Club. . . . Jean was a great gal, I always knew she would set a precedent of some sort.

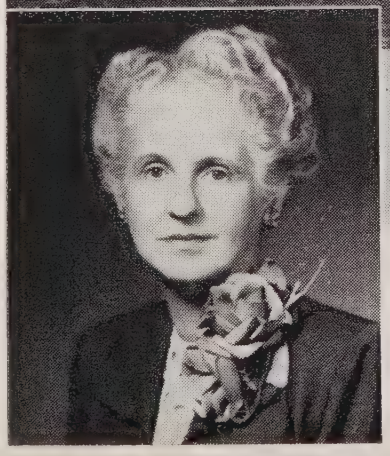
Lou Gift, her hair was red when these pictures were made . . . much more becoming grey. I know she will be there tonight with all her charm and grace. Just think! One of my own classmates, president of the A.N.A. . . . And I still have to pay my dues! . . . Wonder where Frankie is now and if she will be able to make it tonight . . . . We all felt terrible when she quit in the last few months, giving up her R.N. for a Mrs. . . . but the last I heard she was a veteran of two births (both boys) and very happy. Dear Rachel, the search continues for a rich man and meanwhile she is assistant Nursing Arts Instructor at her Alma Mater, Watts. . . . Ann Henderson hadn't changed any at all when I last saw her. . . . She told me that Fred is home from the Service and has his own funeral home. . . . They are co-partners in "The Profession." . . . Mrs. Albert Rigsbee, Jr., the former Jean Hight and my former roommate . . . her scream still echoes in my ears from the receipt of her engagement ring. She and Al are still making annual trips to New York to see the latest musicals. . . . They "lack" that place! Ruth Hinton has certainly changed a lot since 1951. . . . She tired of nursing while R.A. was in the army and is now leading a leisurely life as a prosperous farmer's wife in Wendell. . . . "Jake!" I never thought she would carry through with her threat to do mid-wivery in Old Hundred. I wonder if Anna Jordan got the job as supervisor of Obstetrics in Roxboro. . . . She and William are a very happy couple. . . . Last time I heard from Dot Lahr she was working on a surgical floor in Greenville . . . looking for a man. Heavens! I didn't realize Christine Lamm was ever this skinny! Shirley Cherry told me the last time she docked here that Chris had gained to 150 pounds. Ohio must be agreeing with her. . . (Jack does the cooking.) And Mitzie is still trying to balance a budget. Poor Mark has lost 25 pounds since he entered the state of matrimony. . . . Best they give up and hire a cook! Betty Lowrance is involved as a "private scrub nurse" for her surgeon husband and ever increasing family. . . . Don't have any idea where Nancy McKinnon has last lighted. She has been working in Veteran's hospitals and going from one air base to another to be with Billy (the better half) who decided to make flying a career.

Blonde Winnie Mason is now modeling uniforms for the Bruck Co. and keeping the candle lit for Charlie while he is on his R.O.T.C. cruises. Pat Palmer is keeping up the tradition of "Annie," only her roommate is now Claiborne (her husband) instead of Betty Lowrance. . . . Martha Pierce has recently been appointed Educational Director at the Greenville Hospital . . . her I.Q. increasing daily I suppose . . .."Rosie" probably won't be able to make it tonight. . . She and Milton are still working on their "dream house," trying to complete it before the arrival of their fourth bundle of income tax deduction. Ruth Ridenhour! I just read an article about her in *The Tarheel Nurse* yesterday. . . . Seems she is doing Public Health Work in Chapel Hill while Earl takes care of the boys and hands out tickets. Red-haired Elsie Rooker. . . she and Jack are Mr. and Mrs. now and their famous "scooter" is serving the same purpose for Jack, Jr. . . . Dickie . . . another slave to the bobbed hair fad! Elsie told me she was wearing it in braids now . . . or at least she was at the last meeting Elsie attended. Dolores is now president of the District Nurses Association and a regular attendant of all kinds of meetings. . . . Bette Smith has finished her "further Education program" in New Orleans . . . in her last letter she said she was still undecided as to "what to do" and, being unable to choose between Al's, was contemplating accepting the position as head dietitian at Dix Hill! . . . and they tell me Della Smith has increased in height from five feet to five-six. . . . She's really getting up in this world! She will probably have Earl in tow tonight. . . She wasted no time in getting that man . . . this will also be the night of their tenth wedding anniversary!

LaVerne Tew is reportedly still waiting for "The Moon to Come Over The Mountain" . . . and singing "Jezebell". . . . I suppose Sarah Wilder has attained the position of head nurse on Pediatrics now. . . . I heard Mrs. Berry had given birth to twin boys. . . . Arliene and Carliene Wilson . . . their twinship finally disolved after receiving their B.S. degrees in Pediatrics. Carliene is married, the mother of triplets, and Arliene is in Norfolk . . . still dieting . . . she promised me she would be here tonight in a size nine gown . . . Oh well . . . "He who has Faith. . . ."

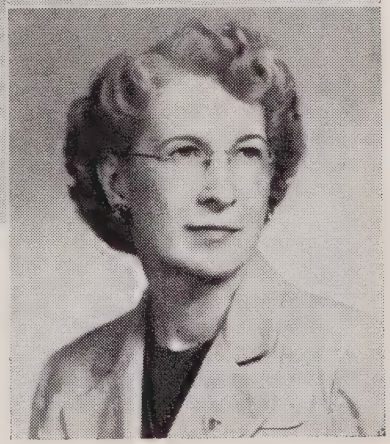
The afternoon is gone . . . and I have spent it just reminiscing . . . now where is that tux? . . .

DELORES LORD



Mrs. Lula Beattie

Mrs. Virginia Patton



Staff House

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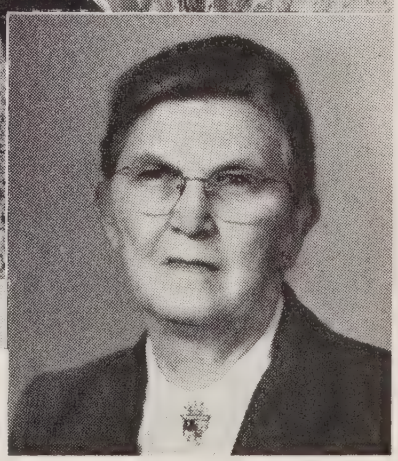
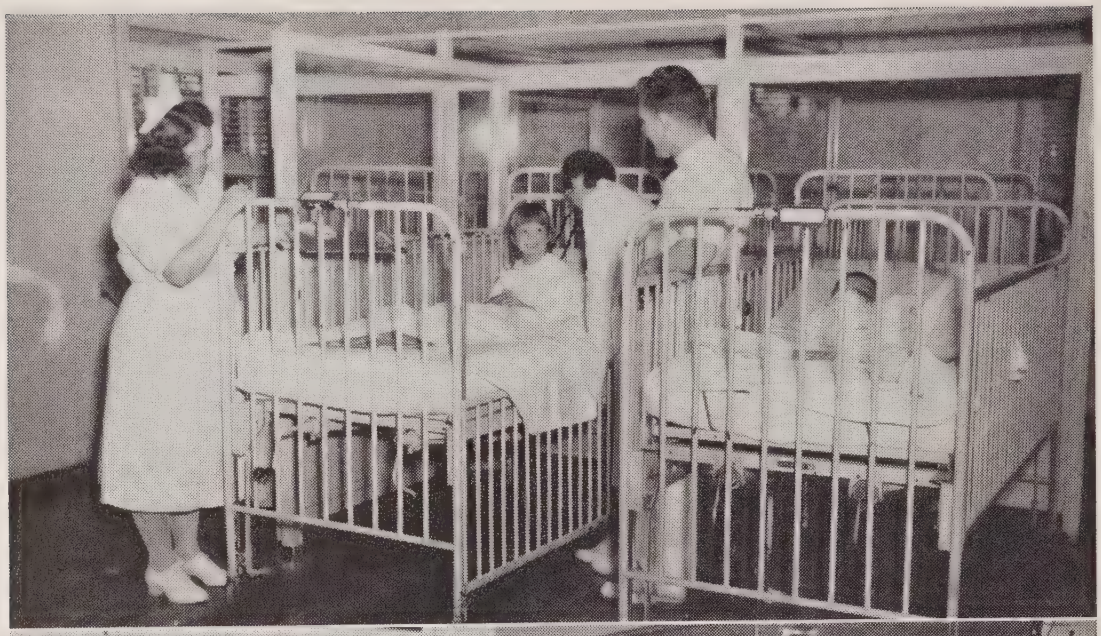


Mrs. Register

Nurses 'n' Nourishments!

Thru the Keyhole

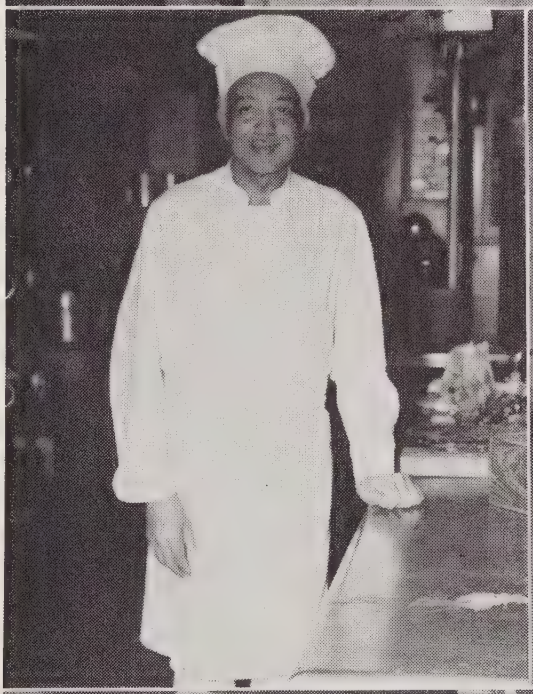


Dr. Marie Roberts ausculates while Mrs. Berry and Dr. Kingsbury spectate.

With no help from James (background) Ella and Thelma carefully wrap and label Kellys, Ochsners, Rankins and Allis'. . . . Would we ever have learned instruments without them!!

"Just testing". .

It's a boy



The camera caught Bill on his 65th Birthday.

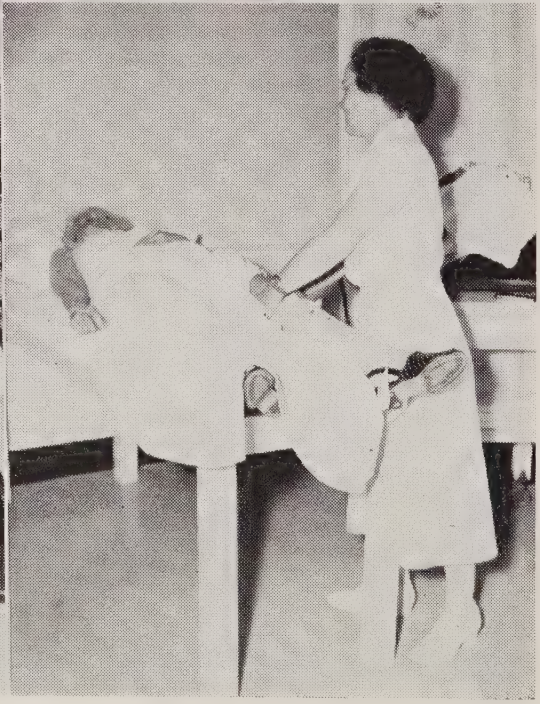
Mrs. Gregory is caught unawares sending in charges from X-Ray.

Miss Monroe gives directions for day's vittles.

The paws that refresh . . .

At the sound of the first gush it will be 120 mm. of mercury!

Glucose 5%, 10%, or 25% — Mrs. Cresday dispenses it with skill.

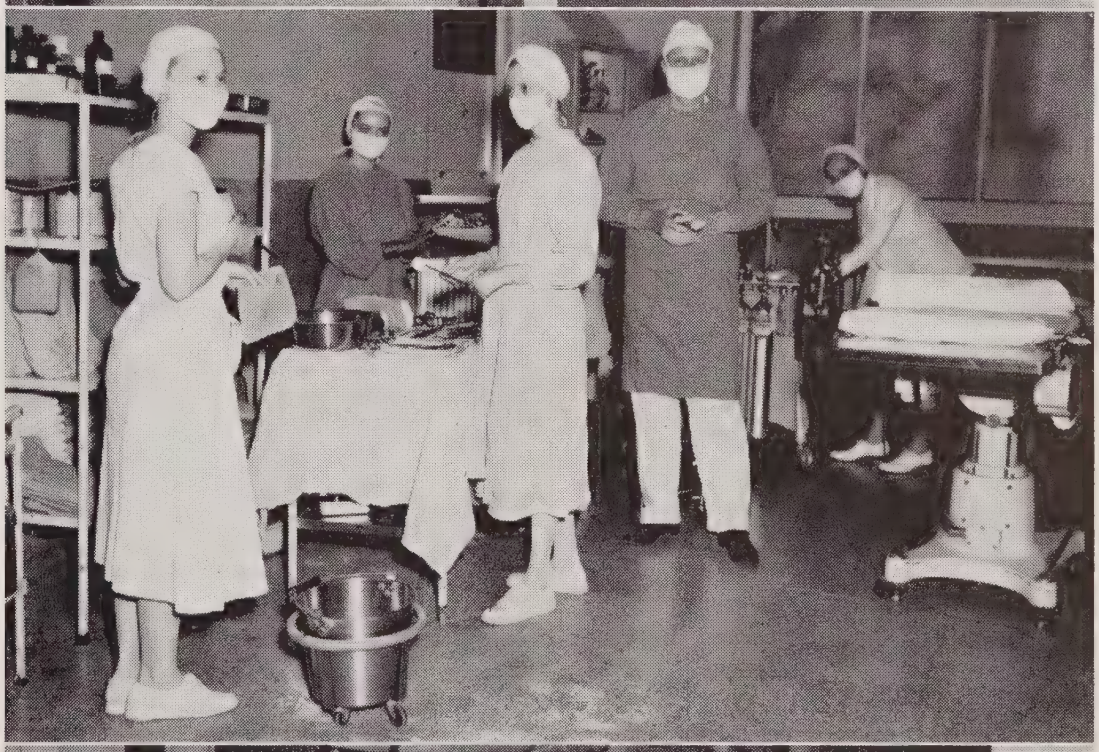


Any body seen Hunter?

Mrs. Waynick deftly applies a little of the active and passive.

Mr. Leslie "briefs" for the day's work.

Miss Byrum gives the final word before discharging mother and son.

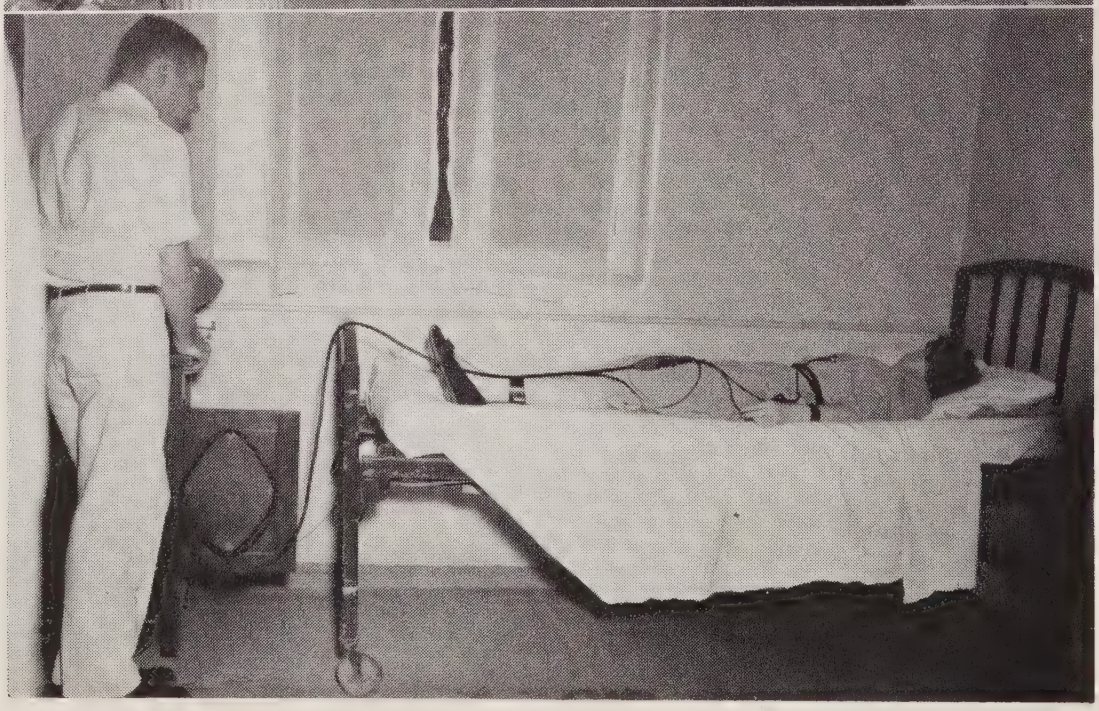


All set! . . . But where's the patient?

Wanna uniform? See Mr. Sutton

Oh! For the life in an incubator!

Hematology, Morphology, Serology . . . many ologys in one analysis.



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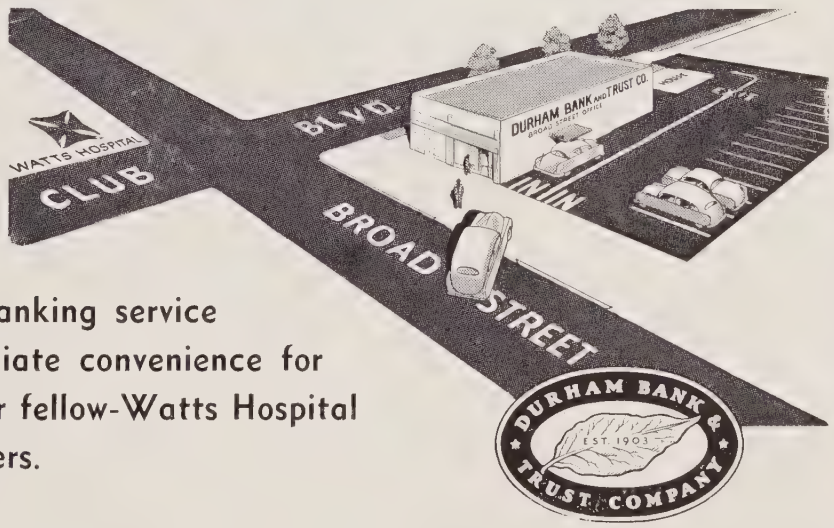

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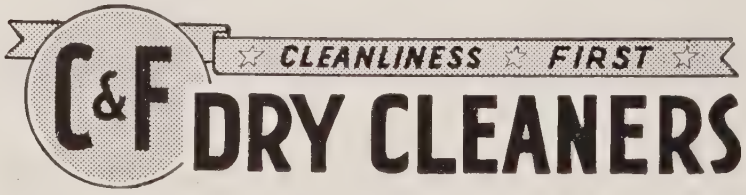

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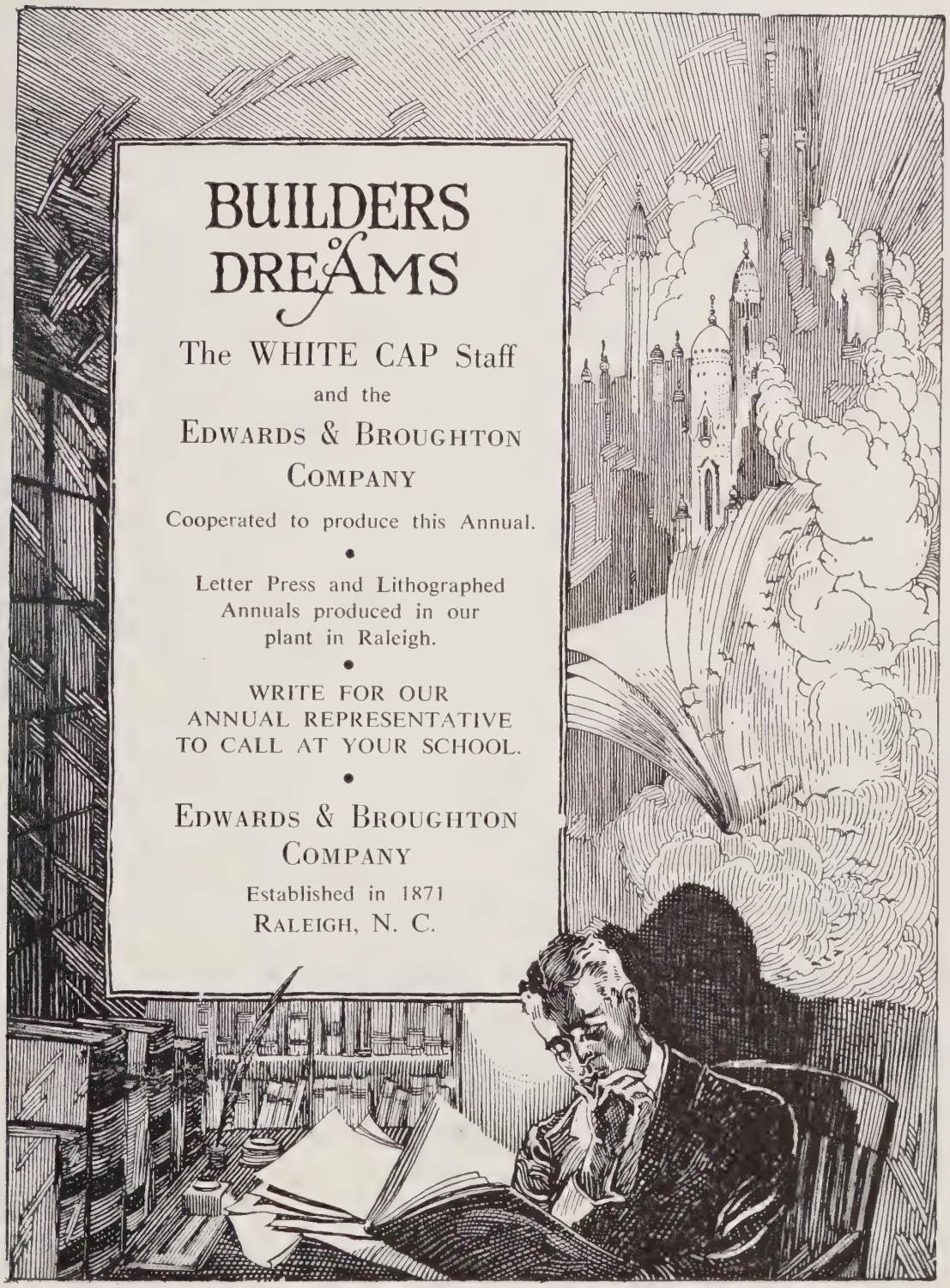
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